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Mr. Rob Simmons, Staff Director  
Select Committee on Intelligence  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Rob:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter  
(83-0028) of 5 January 1983 requesting that we  
declassify, in whole or in part, two letters.

The letters have been reviewed and Deputy  
Director John McMahon advised me that he must hold  
to his decision not to declassify these letters,  
since to do so would confirm classified information  
is contained in the published articles.

I am sorry that we could not be more helpful,  
but I am sure you understand the reasons for this  
decision.

Cordially yours,

Director, Office of External Affairs

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